

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S9693–S9759*

**Measures Introduced:** Eight bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1695–1702, S. Res. 281–284, and S. Con. Res. 41. **Page S9733**

**Measures Passed:**

**Government of Libya:** Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 253, expressing the sense of the Senate that the Government of Libya should apologize for the welcome home ceremony held to celebrate the release of convicted Lockerbie bomber Abdel Baset al-Megrahi, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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**Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Amendments Act:** Committee on Environment and Public Works was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1035, to amend the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental and Native American Public Policy Act of 1992 to honor the legacy of Stewart L. Udall, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Feinstein (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 2546, to strike the authorization of appropriations.

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**Senior Caregiving and Affordability:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 59, supporting the goals and ideals of senior caregiving and affordability, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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**Helen Keller Statue:** Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 41, providing for the acceptance of a statue of Helen Keller, presented by the people of Alabama.

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**Hurricane Hugo 20th Anniversary:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 282, remembering the 20th anniversary of Hurricane Hugo, which struck Charleston, South Carolina on September 21 through September 22, 1989.

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**National Wild Horse and Burro Adoption Day:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 283, expressing support for the goals and ideals of the first annual National Wild Horse and Burro Adoption Day taking place on September 26, 2009.

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**National Health Information Technology Week:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 284, expressing support for the designation and goals of “National Health Information Technology Week” for the period beginning on September 21, 2009, and ending on September 25, 2009.

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**Measures Considered:**

**Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act—Agreement:** Senate continued consideration of H.R. 2996, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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**Rejected:**

Vitter motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations, with instructions to report the same back to the Senate forthwith with Vitter Amendment No. 2508 (to the instructions on Vitter motion to recommit the bill), to prohibit the use of funds to delay the implementation of the Draft Proposed Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program 2010–2015. (By 56 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 293), Senate tabled the motion.)

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Feinstein (for McCaskill) Amendment No. 2514, to strike the earmarks for the Save America’s Treasure program and to provide criteria for the distribution of grants under that program. (By 72 yeas to 26 nays (Vote No. 294), Senate tabled the motion.)

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**Pending:**

Carper Amendment No. 2456, to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to conduct a study on black carbon emissions.

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Collins Amendment No. 2498, to provide that no funds may be used for the administrative expenses of any official identified by the President to serve in a position without express statutory authorization and